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For: **LOCKABLE CONTAINER HAVING AN INTEGRAL AND INTERNAL  
LOCKING MECHANISM AND METHODS OF USE**

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**VIA EFS-WEB**

Commissioner for Patents

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**PETITION AND FEE FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.17, 1.136(a) AND 35 USC 41(a)8**

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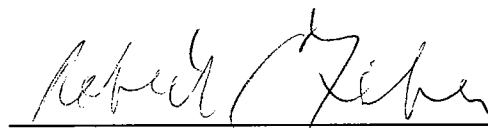
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Respectfully submitted,

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